

In this Homework, I discussed possible interpretations with Gabriele Cesa.

# 1 Problem 1

## 1.1 Question 1

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \pi_j} \mathbb{E}_{\text{posterior}}[\log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\pi})] + \lambda \left( \sum_k \pi_k - 1 \right) \\
0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \pi_j} \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) \{ \log \pi_k + \log \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k) \} + \lambda \left( \sum_k \pi_k - 1 \right) \\
0 &= \sum_n \frac{\gamma(z_{nj})}{\pi_j} + \lambda \\
- \sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) &= \lambda \pi_j \\
- \sum_j N_j &= \lambda \sum_j \pi_j \\
-N &= \lambda \\
-N_j &= \lambda \pi_j \\
-N_j &= -N \pi_j \\
\pi_j &= \frac{N_j}{N} \\
0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}_j} \mathbb{E}_{\text{posterior}}[\log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\pi})] \\
0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}_j} \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) \{ \log \pi_k + \log \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k) \} \\
0 &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) (-2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j)) \\
\sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j^{-1} \mathbf{x}_n &= \sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_j \\
\sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) \mathbf{x}_n &= \boldsymbol{\mu}_j \sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) \\
\boldsymbol{\mu}_j &= \frac{\sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) \mathbf{x}_n}{N_j} \\
0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j} \mathbb{E}_{\text{posterior}}[\log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\pi})] \\
0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j} \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) \{ \log \pi_k + \log \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k) \} \\
0 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) (\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j)^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j^{-1}) \\
\sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j^{-1} &= \sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j)^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j^{-1} \\
\sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) &= \sum_n \gamma(z_{nj}) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j)^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j^{-1}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_j^{-1} &= \frac{N_j}{\sum_n \gamma(z_{nj})(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j)(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j)^T} \\ \Sigma_j &= \frac{\sum_n \gamma(z_{nj})(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j)(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j)^T}{N_j}\end{aligned}$$

## 1.2 Question 2

When the covariance matrices have a common value  $\Sigma$ , the update rules for  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\pi}$  do not change, since they do not depend on the covariance. On the other hand, the update rule for  $\Sigma$  becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \Sigma} \mathbb{E}_{\text{posterior}} [\log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma, \boldsymbol{\pi})] \\ 0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \Sigma} \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) \{ \log \pi_k + \log \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \Sigma) \} \\ 0 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) (\Sigma^{-1} - \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T \Sigma^{-1}) \\ 0 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) (\Sigma^{-1} - \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T \Sigma^{-1}) \\ \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) \Sigma^{-1} &= \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T \Sigma^{-1} \\ \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) &= \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T \Sigma^{-1} \\ \Sigma^{-1} &= \frac{N}{\sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T} \\ \Sigma &= \frac{\sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T}{N}\end{aligned}$$

## 2 Problem 2

Let's decompose the log-posterior in:

$$\begin{aligned}\log p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{X}) &= \log p(\mathbf{X} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \log p(\mathbf{X}) = \\ &= \mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + KL(q || p) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \log p(\mathbf{X})\end{aligned}$$

In the EM algorithm, in order to maximize directly the posterior, we instead maximize the ELBO, defined as:

$$ELBO = \mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \log p(\mathbf{X})$$

Since in the E-step we maximize it with respect to  $q$ , we notice that we only care about the first term, since the logprior and log evidence are constant with respect to  $q$ . It is then evident as this E-step is the same as in the likelihood maximization case, where the ELBO is:

$$ELBO_{\text{likelihood}} = \mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

On the other hand, in the M-step we maximize the ELBO with respect to the parameters  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ , thus we need to include the logprior in the maximization quantity defined as:

$$\begin{aligned}\argmax_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} ELBO &= \argmax_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} (\mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \log p(\mathbf{X})) = \\ &= \argmax_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} (\mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta})) =\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \operatorname{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left( \mathbb{E}_{\text{posterior}} [\log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\theta})] + H(p(\mathbf{Z} | \mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\text{old}})) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right) = \\
&= \operatorname{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left( \mathbb{E}_{\text{posterior}} [\log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\theta})] + \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right) = \\
&= \operatorname{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left( \sum_z p(\mathbf{Z} | \mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\text{old}}) \log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right) =
\end{aligned}$$

### 3 Problem 3

Using the result from the previous task, the M-step is:

$$\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} ELBO &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} (\mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \log p(\mathbf{X})) = \\
&= \operatorname{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left( \sum_z p(\mathbf{Z} | \mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\text{old}}) \log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right) = \\
&= \operatorname{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\pi}} \left( \sum_z p(\mathbf{Z} | \mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\mu}^{\text{old}}, \boldsymbol{\pi}^{\text{old}}) \log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\pi}) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\mu}) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\pi}) \right) \\
&= \operatorname{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\pi}} \left( \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) \left( \log \pi_k + \sum_i^D [x_{ni} \log \mu_{ki} + (1 - x_{ni}) \log(1 - \mu_{ki})] \right) \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_k \sum_i^D \left( (a_k - 1) \log \mu_{ki} + (b_k - 1) \log(1 - \mu_{ki}) - \log B(a_k, b_k) \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_k \left( (\alpha_k - 1) \log \pi_k - \log B(\alpha_k) \right) + \lambda \left( \sum_k \pi_k - 1 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

For  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_{ki}} \left( \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) \left( \log \pi_k + \sum_i^D [x_{ni} \log \mu_{ki} + (1 - x_{ni}) \log(1 - \mu_{ki})] \right) \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_k \sum_i^D \left( (a_k - 1) \log \mu_{ki} + (b_k - 1) \log(1 - \mu_{ki}) - \log B(a_k, b_k) \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_k \left( (\alpha_k - 1) \log \pi_k - \log B(\alpha_k) \right) + \lambda \left( \sum_k \pi_k - 1 \right) \\
0 &= \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) \left( \sum_i^D \frac{x_{ni}}{\mu_{ki}} - \frac{1 - x_{ni}}{1 - \mu_{ki}} \right) + \frac{a_k - 1}{\mu_{ki}} - \frac{b_k - 1}{1 - \mu_{ki}} \\
\frac{\left( (a_k - 1) + \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) x_{ni} \right)}{\mu_{ki}} &= \frac{\left( (b_k - 1) + \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) (1 - x_{ni}) \right)}{1 - \mu_{ki}} \\
\left( (a_k - 1) + \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) x_{ni} \right) &= \mu_{ki} \left( (a_k - 1) + \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) x_{ni} + (b_k - 1) + \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) (1 - x_{ni}) \right) \\
\left( (a_k - 1) + \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) x_{ni} \right) &= \mu_{ki} \left( a_k + b_k - 2 + \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) \right) \\
\mu_{ki} &= \frac{a_k - 1 + \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) x_{ni}}{a_k + b_k - 2 + N_k}
\end{aligned}$$

While, for  $\boldsymbol{\pi}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \pi_k} \left( \sum_n \sum_k \gamma(z_{nk}) \left( \log \pi_k + \sum_i^D [x_{ni} \log \mu_{ki} + (1 - x_{ni}) \log(1 - \mu_{ki})] \right) \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_k \sum_i^D \left( (a_k - 1) \log \mu_{ki} + (b_k - 1) \log(1 - \mu_{ki}) - \log B(a_k, b_k) \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_k \left( (\alpha_k - 1) \log \pi_k - \log B(\alpha_k) \right) + \lambda \left( \sum_k \pi_k - 1 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \frac{\sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) + \alpha_k - 1}{\pi_k} + \lambda \\
0 &= \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) + \alpha_k - 1 + \lambda \pi_k \\
\lambda \sum_k \pi_k &= -(\sum_k \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) + \sum_k \alpha_k - \sum_k 1) \\
\lambda &= -(N + \sum_k \alpha_k - K)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) + \alpha_k - 1 + \lambda \pi_k \\
(N + \sum_k \alpha_k - K) \pi_k &= \sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) + \alpha_k - 1 \\
\pi_k &= \frac{\sum_n \gamma(z_{nk}) + \alpha_k - 1}{N + \sum_k \alpha_k - K}
\end{aligned}$$